(ii) Pollution control camps are organised to offer technical guidance to the industries for compliance of pollution control measures;

(iii) Fiscal incentives are given for installation of pollution control devices. Subsidies are offered for installation of common effluent treatment plants for small-scale units,

(iv) Prosecutions have been launched against defaulting units; and

(v) The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 has been enacted to provide for deterrent penalty including colsure of the polluting units.

Agreement with Pakistan to prevent illegal crossborder movements

91. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD :

SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the talks held sometime in December, 1986 certain agreement had been arrived at with the Government of Pakistan with regard to the suspected extremists in that country and also to strengthen the border security to prevent illegal cross-border movements;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, and

(c) whether the agreement between the two countries on the above issues have been put into practice; if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) to (c) During Home Secretary's visit to Pakisan on December 20-21, 1986, our concern about Pakistan's involvement with Sikh extremists was conveyed in clear-cut terms. Pakistan affirmed its opposition to all forms of terrorism in Punjab and elsewhere and indicated that at will not provide any support to terrorist activities directed against India.

It was decided to set up two Committees: one to devise fresh Border Group Rules to help in checking illegal crossings, border crimes, etc., and another to combat narcotic trafficking and smuggling. These Committees are expected to meet in the near future.

Closing down of shipping service for Haj pilgrims

92. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that shipping srevice for Haj pilgrims is proposed to be closed down by Government:

(b) if so what are the reasons thereof; and

(c) what alternative arrangements are contemplated by government for the pilgrims coming from the middle and lower middle class who cannot afford air journeys to perform Haj?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) There is no proposal to close down shipping service for haj pilgrims.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Escape of dreaded terrorists from police custody in Punjab

93. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH:

SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the most dreaded terrorist, Roshal Lal Baragi and Manjit Singh Bhindi escaped from the police custody while being escorted recently;

(b) if so, whether Government have made any inquiry into the circumstances leading to their escape; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the affirmative, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Facts are being ascertained from the Government of Punjab and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Cleaning of Ganga

94. SHRI KALPNATH RAI:
SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of plans drawn up for the cleaning of river Ganga;

(b) what is the quantum of investment made for the purpose; and

(c) what progress has so far been made in the cleaning work?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) Studies undertaken by the Central Board for the Prevention and Control of Water Pollution indicate that urban waste constitutes the maximum pollution load on the river and out of this, the municipal waste in 27 Class-I cities (each having a population of more than one lakh) accounts for substantial portion. The following types of schemes are being executed under Ganga Action Plan in these 27 Class-I cities (6 in U.P., 4 in Bihar and 17 in West Bengal)

— Interception and diversion of waste water away from the river

— treatment of waste water with possibility of resource recovery

— Low Cost Sanitation and Biological Conservation.

(b) During the Seventh Five Year Plan, an outlay of Rs. 240 crores has been allocated for execution of schemes under Ganga Action Plan.

(c) The State Govt. have identified 259 schemes to be taken under Ganga Action Plan. Out of these, 177 schemes have been prepared at a cost of Rs. 193.83 crores and 133 schemes sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 94.41 crores. Work has started in respect of 100 schemes in 21 cities. Five schemes, two at Hardwar Rishikesh, one at Ramnagar and two at Patna have been completed at a cost of Rs. 2.57 crores.

Primary weavers societies in Madhya Pradesh

95. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) how many registered primary weavers' societies are functioning in the State of Madhya Pradesh at present;

(b) what are the details of the goods manufactured, sold and unsold by these societies during the last three year; and

(c) what assistance and incentive Government intend to provide to them especially for marketing of the goods produced by them?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) There are 388 such societies.

(b) These societies are producing Janata cloth, furnishings, tassar silk cloth, dress material, dhoties, sarees, polyester cloth etc. Their production figures during the last three years are as under:—

Year	Production (in million metres)
1983-84	32.50
1984-85	36.00
1985-86	39.71

Quantum of sale of cloth and unsold stock is not available, as reported by the State Govt.

(c) Central Govt. provides assistance to the State Govt. under various Plan Schemes for strengthening share capital base of primary weavers societies, purchase/modernisation/renovation of looms, mana-